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In re Patent Application of:

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTION  
OF PRODUCT REDEMPTION  
COUPONS

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Sir:

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-referenced  
patent application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 57 as follows:

57. *(Amended)* The method of claim [98] 56 further comprising the  
step of providing the retrieved information to a coupon issuing center for  
subsequent analysis.